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Fair and continued cold tonight; Saturday increased cloudiness and warmer, probably followed by snow or rain before night; lowest temperature tonight about 26; moderate northwest winds, diminishing.

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HOPEWELL IS MASS OF RUINS

Magic Virginia City Wiped Out in a Few Hours

ONE MILLION DAMAGE

Governor Stuart Acts Promptly on Request for Soldiers—Thousands Refugee to Petersburg.

Petersburg, Dec. 10. — Thirty thousand homeless people huddled and shivered about the ruins of fire-swept Hopewell, the mushroom powder town, today, while seven companies of Virginia militia patrolled the burned area to prevent looting.

All telephone and telegraph communication with the devasted town was destroyed by the flames, and a complete estimate of the loss in life and property has not yet been compiled. The property loss is estimated at $1,000,000.

Reports reaching here today said one negro was lynched for looting while several others, including an Italian who went crazy over the loss of his money in one of the two banks destroyed by the flames, were shot down by soldiers. According to information brought here by persons returning from Hopewell, five persons were shot by another Italian who was fired upon when he attempted to enter a burning bank.

Hopewell, Dec. 10. — Thousands of people were left homeless and without shelter and probably 300 buildings were destroyed yesterday when fire swept across sixty of Hopewell's eighty acres, doing a property damage estimated at more than $1,000,000. As far as could be learned, there was no loss of life and only a few minor accidents. Report that a negro had been lynched for looting was unconfirmed.

At 8 o'clock last night seven militia companies from Richmond arrived on the scene on a special train, and martial law was proclaimed.

The fire raged from 1:45 o'clock until nearly 9 o'clock at night, destroying fifteen blocks. Available fire fighting apparatus was utterly inadequate to cope with the situation, the flames eating their way through the flimsy frame structures thrown up during the early boom of the powder town last summer like so much tinder.

The exit from Hopewell was almost equal to an evacuation. Long before the shadows of evening began to fall families, individuals and small parties of friends and strangers were seen to be leaving, carrying with them the possessions which they had saved. The more fortunate occupied motors, some got away in horse drawn conveyances, while many trudged along on foot. Some of these found refuge at Du Pont City, which was at no time threatened; others went to City Point, but most made their way to Petersburg.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 10—Fanned by a thirty-five mile wind, a fire which started in a restaurant yesterday afternoon quickly spread to adjoining buildings in Hopewell, the du Pont boom town, twenty miles from here. Last night practically every business house, hotel and restaurant in the town had been wiped out. First estimates placed the loss at $1,000,000.

The du Pont plant was in no danger, being located 500 yards from the railroad crossing, which separates the company's property from the town proper.

Fully 10,000 employes are homeless. Special trains are bringing them to Petersburg and Richmond.

Just as a special train, carrying the Richmond Blues and two companies of the Richmond Grays rolled into Hopewell yesterday evening, a negro was hanged for looting.

The wildest excitement prevailed throughout the afternoon and citizens wired Gov. Stuart for troops. Companies from Richmond and Petersburg were ordered to the scene.

The fire swept the business section of Broadway, Poythress street and Railroad avenue, cutting a diagonal path two squares wide and four long.

The du Pont fire corps and the Petersburg department were called upon for assistance, but long before they could arrive the flames had gained such headway that the town was doomed.

Stories of heroic rescues are recorded. Adam Drum, an 11-year-old Richmond boy, rushed into a blazing building and appeared at a window on the second floor with an infant in his arms. While men were arranging a blanket to catch the babe, the boy leaned forward and with a cry fell with the infant in his arms. An instant later the mother of the baby rushed from the building, her clothing afire, just in time to see the boy and the baby land safely in the makeshift lifenet. A moment later the boy rescued another baby from the building next door.

Whether the origin of the fire was incendiary has not been determined. Town and State authorities will make a thorough investigation. The arrest of the suspected German spy within the confines of the Dupont plant yesterday morning caused people to believe the fire was incendiary. The man has not been able to communicate with persons on the outside. It is said that he has maps and blue prints of the Dupont plant in his pockets, and that he was attempting to set off chemicals in a warehouse filled with gun cotton ready for shipment. None of these statements are verified by government officers. The name of the man is kept a secret.

The Hopewell Hospital was in the path of the flames and all patients were rescued. Infants and children found on the streets were sent to the Dupont Hospital, where they are being cared for.

The fire was still burning late last night, but had spent its fury, as there was nothing left but ruins.

The city council of Petersburg last night, threw open the school buildings and churches opened their doors to the refugees from Hopewell. Every effort is being made to aid the homeless. Relief funds are being raised and will be distributed through military channels.

Hopewell no doubt will arise from its ashes. Already predictions are made that a business section more substantial than the old done will be the result of yesterday's fire.

The population of the new town is estimated at 30,000. Most of these are men who are hardened to the rough life incident to the building of a new city of this character. The Du Pont munitions factory has a pay roll of approximately 20,000 men. The total paid these is $1,500,000 monthly. When the company started the erection of its plant it was intended that the limit of expense would be $10,000,000. The establishment already has cost $25,000,000 to build and equip.

It is said that the Du Ponts have upward of $200,000,000 in war munitions contracts. Their contracts, too, are to run for three years. At the end of that time the management has given out the strongest indications that the plant will be continued probably on a more moderate scale, for the manufacture of such munitions as will be needed by the United States government, and also for the manufacture of dyestuffs and other chemicals.

An electric line is in course of construction from Petersburg to Hopewell. The Norfolk and Western Railroad is building a double track into the new city, and has purchased 57 acres to be used as a freight yard. It already has 60 miles of switch tracks in the town. Arrangements have been made for better wharfage facilities facing James River, and it is understood that the Duponts have obtained a franchise for a bridge across the James River.

As it now stands the Du Pont factory is the largest guncotton plant in the world. It is also the largest nitrating plant in the world, and will soon be the largest sulphuric plant.

Thousands of the workers sleep in tents and shacks. It is estimated that 5,000 each night make their way to Petersburg, 9 miles away, in order to find sleeping places. The place was very much crowded for sleeping accommodations before the fire. The conditions are infinitely worse now, and due to the winter cold the suffering is intense.

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TAXABLE VALUES IN THE STATE

Fairfax Harrison Heads Fauquier List With Income of $38,800

WILLARD HAS $36,107

Westmoreland Davis of Loudoun County Gives His Income Subject to Tax as $11,219

Richmond, Rec. 10. —Personal property returns being made to C. Lee Moore, State Auditor of Public Accounts, show large increases in various cities and counties of the State in persons having taxable incomes. According to reports from Fauquier county, Fairfax Harrison, president of the Southern Railway, heads the list with a total taxable income of $38,800. B. R. Spilman has an income of $33,705, while I. J. Murrling lists $32,300.

In Fairfax county the largest individual income is reported by Colonel Joseph E. Willard, now ambassador to Spain, who lists $36,107. Among the larger income tax payers in Loudoun county are Westmoreland Davis, with an annual taxable income of $11,219 and, Margurite Davis, who who reported $15,534. Hollis Rinehart, one of the most prominent men in Albemarle County, reported an annual taxable income of $64,600.

Persons in Fauquier county, reporting a total taxable income of $2,000 or more follow:

Fauquier—John T. Rainey $2,907; E. S. Cochran, $4,233; C. C. Delaplane, $4,000; Bedford Glascock, $6,894; Fairfax Harrison, $38,800; R D. Rozel, $1,800; N. L. Turner, $2,190; E. N. Fell, $8,564; Oscar T Crosby, $17,260; James Keith, $5,600; B. D. Spilman, $33,705; I. J. Murrling, $32,300; Mrs. Elizabeth S Keith, $9,452; Helen S. Leach, $5,031; C. E. Tiffany, $2,030.

Reports from other cities and counties were received yesterday, the following from Fairfax:

J. S. Barbour, $4,605; Thomas R Keith, $4,863; R. Walton Moore, $17,138; F. W. Richarson, $2,562; Joseph E. Willard, $36,107; Louis Herthe $2,695; A. Crawford, $2,871; Mrs. A Crawford, $2,123; Arthur Herbert $2,427; Mrs. Mary E. Lee, $3,449 N. A. Cobb, $2,000.

Campbell, Amelia, Bland, James City, King George and Middlesex had none to report.

The following is the report from Loudoun:

U. M. Chichester, jr., $2,653; S. S Lutz, $3,091; E. B. White, $3,763 Margurite Davis, $15,534; Mrs. Mary B. Dawson, $2,255; Westmoreland Davis, $11,219; H. T. Harrison $2,640.

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WANTS G. O. P. CONVENTION.

Philadelphia Going After it With $100,000 Check.

Philadelphia, Dec. 10.— Provided with a check for $100,000 to guarantee the expenses of the undertaking a committee of prominent Philadelphians will appear before the National Republican Campaign Committee in Washington next Tuesday and urge that this city be selected as the site for the next Republican Presidential Convention.

The committee, which was announced by the Chamber of Commerce, is headed by Congressman J. Hampton Moore.

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WILSON TELLS FORD JOKE.

Sight of Three at White House Suggests Story to President.

Washington, Dec. 10. — Finding three Ford automobiles parked in front of the White House, when he started for a motor ride yesterday afternoon inspired President Wilson to tell this story:

A man who owned a Ford was about to die. His last request was that the machine be buried with him. When asked to explain, he said:

"Well, that little old car has pulled me out of many a deep hole, and it may pull me out of this one."

OPINIONS OF GERMAN PRESS

Says German-Americans Citizens Can-Not Be Excused For Violating Laws of America.

Berlin, Dec. 10.—"Persons who are born in Germany and become American citizens cannot be excused for violating the laws of America," says the Tageblatt in commenting upon President Wilson's message. "Germany woud punish persons from abroad who came here and violated German law. But the passion of German-Americans to which President Wilson refers would not have been heated to such a point if the United States, under Mr. Wilson's presidency had endeavored to maintain honest neutrality.

"That was not done. A great portion of the press not only proclaims sympathy for France and Great Britain, which is pardonable, but wages wordy warfare against Germans in the most offensive and indecent manner. President Wilson hitherto has had little to say against it.

"Above all, American industry has passionately taken sides in this war—with passionate dollar hunger. There also President Wilson has looked on quietly."

The Lokal Anzeiger says that President Wilson's words of reproach to those who passionately take side in the war may safely be interpreted as a reference to German-Americans.

"Our friends across the water,' it continues, "are men enough to set the matters with the nation's chief with that fearlessness which in the New World is accounted one of the highest rights of mankind. They will not allow themselves to be outdone in this virtue by any native-born American."

This newspaper expresses amazement at what it calls the continuous scolding and persecution of an honorable and capable part of the country's inhabitants and confesses it does not know what these men should have done.

The Lokal Anzeiger continues:

"German-Americans will know best what they must do. They had already proved they were true sons of their new fatherland long before there was a President Wilson in the White House. They will not permit themselves to be made countryless by this man."

The Morgan Post makes a violent attack upon President Wilson, saying that it has long known that he was anti-German, but that he never before had given rein to his hatred in this fashion.

"This 'neutral' government's head has hardly a word of reproach for the shameless incitements of the Jingo press against Germany * * * but he insults as traitors, anarchists and dishoporable persons these men in whom love for the old Fatherland lives, and who rise up against the despicable things done against them daily."

The Kreuz Zeitung says that thus far there has been no sufficient evidence of German plots against the United States to justify the words of the message.

"Be that as it may," continues the newspaper, "Germany cannot be made responsible for them. There is nobody in Germany who approves of them. President Wilson, however, seems not to appreciate the psychology of those who allow themselves to be induced to commit such excesses through their indignation over the unscrupulous and unlimited support of the enemy of their old Fatherland which America permits itself through President Wilson's policy."

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GOV. STUART IS NON-COMMITTAL

Receives Women Delegates Graciously, But Makes No Promises

ENTERED COLLOQUY

Assures Delegation, However, That He Will Sign Suffrage Amendment If Adopted.

Richmond, Dec. 10—That suffrage is a live issue in Virginia and will be one of the most important issues before the State Legislature this winter was the claim made when the first suffrage convention ever held in Richmond opened its first session yesterday at the Jefferson Hotel.

Perhaps the most notable event of the day was the visit of a delegation to the Governor in the afternoon, to ask him to give his indorsement to the suffrage amendment to be submitted to the coming General Assembly.

At 4:30 o'clock, after the afternoon business session, the entire convention, marched two and two and bearing suffrage badges walked down Franklin Street from the Jefferson to the Capitol. Mrs. B. B. Valentine, the State president, headed the column, bearing a yellow "Votes for Women" banner in her hand. The delegation, nearly 200 in number, filled the Governor's office to overflowing.

Before introducing the speakers, Mrs. Valentine said: "We women, from all over the State of Virginia, have come to ask you to incorporate in your message to the Legislature a recommendation that that body shall pass an act enabling the citizens of Virginia to vote on an amendment to the State constitution enfranchising women."

The first speaker was Mrs. John I. Lewis, of Lynchburg, who said: 'Your Excellency. you are a Democrat, representing the principles of quality and upholding the rights of the people. We are half of the people We are interested in the Constitution; we pay taxes, teach, work and strive to be good citizens; 1000,000 of us in this State are laboring women, 9,000 are teachers, 350,000 are of voting age, As such we feel that it is our right to have a voice in the government under which we live."

Miss Mary Johnston, the novelist spoke in behalf of Bath County.

"The majority o fthe voters in the county I represent are in favor of woman suffrage. We are only asking that democracy be adhered to. We believe that our State, which struggled to establish the principle of "no taxation without representation," should extend that principle to include all the people."

Miss Roberta Wellford, who represented Albemarle County, pleaded that women be allowed to serve the country in a fuller sense. Miss Ellen Robinson, from Hampton, announced that the "peninsula' had 575 members of suffrage leagues, and 1,700 signers of the suffrage petition. Miss P. Anderson, of Lexington, called attention to the fact that over half of the desirable properties in her town is owned by women. who do not even have a vote on a matter so vital to their interests as a bond issue.

Mrs. W. W. King, from Staunton, scored a point. She began by saying "I come from a stronghold of democracy."

The Governor interrupted her to say, "Not a very recent one,' alluding to the recent Republican victory in that district.

"You have anticipated what I was going to say," answered the suffragist quickly. "I was going to suggest that perhaps the reason for democracy's defeat there has been the failure of its advocates to advance the principles of democracy in their fullest sense."

Other speakers were Mrs. Sally Nelson Robins, representing Richmond; Mrs. R. M. Crawford, representing Williamsburg; Miss Elizabeth Cooke, of Norfolk; Miss Terry, of Roanoke, and Mrs. Lloyd Byars, [illegible]

The Governor welcomed the delegates graciously, but did not commit himself.

"This is," he said, "the most numerous and by far the most attractive delegation that has waited on me since I have been Governor. The general disposition of my mind is, and has always been, in the direction of allowing the people to vote on any question of vital importance to the whole people. I shall certainly give this matter the most careful and serious consideration, and I promise you there shall be no lack of seriousness on the part of the Legislature when the matter comes up there."

"You will remember that I have always been slow on making recommendations. I did not recommend the enabling act when it came up. However, I will say this—if the Legislature passes the suffrage amendment I will sign it."

The afternoon session of the convention was largely occupied by a discussion of press work and the reading of an interesting report by Miss Eudora Ramsey, the State organizer.

There were interesting reports at the afternoon session from leagues in Wytheville, King William, Alexandria, Norfolk and from the State treasurer.

The feature of the evening session was an address at the hotel auditorium by Mrs. Beatrice Forbes-Robertson Hale, niece of Sir Johnston Forbes-Robertson, the actor, who spoke on "The need for Woman Suffrage."

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GIRL WANTS DAMAGES.

Speaker of West Virginia House of Delegates Defendant.

Martinsburg, W. Va., Dec. 10. — John W. Cross, of Berkley Springs, has filed suit in the circuit court of Morgan county for $10,000 damages against Vernon E. Johnson, of Berkley Springs, speaker of the West Virginia house of delegates, and a prominent insurance man and bank official.

The suit was brought by Cross on behalf of his pretty 15 year old daughter, who charged Speaker Johnson with having wronged her while she was employed as a domestic in the home of the speaker's mother in Berkley Springs. The home of the speaker adjoins that of his mother.

The plaintiff has retained G. McIntyre Weaver, attorney of Berkley Springs, to prosecute the suit, while Speaker Johnson has retained former Senator C. J. Faulkner and United States District Attorney Stuart W. Walker, of Martinsburg.

Johnson has been prominently spoken of as the Republican candidate for Congress from the Second district and also for the Republican nomination for State auditor, and he charges that his political enemies have caused the suit to be brought in order to ruin his career in politics. He declares there is no basis for the suit.

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LOCAL BREVITIES

Washington Memorial Lodge of Perfection, Scottish Rite Masons, will meet in Masonic Temple tonight when the 4th, 5th, 6th and 9th. degrees will be conferred.

Henry K. Field, president of the board of aldermen, whose name has been mentioned in connection with the mayoralty contest stated this morning that he would not be a candidate.

Miss Alice E. Davis, whose home is in this city, died yesterday at Staunton, Va., Her remains were brought here today and taken to the undertaking parlors of B. Wheatley. Miss Davis was 399 years old.

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The Virginia Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union adjourned yesterday at Lynchburg, after electing the following officers: President, A. B. Thornhill, Appomattox county; Vice president, R. L. Dickerson, Grayson county; Secretary-Treasurer, G. H. Bowles, Amherst county; Chaplain, Emmett L. Mann, Chesterfield county; Board of Directors, H. H. Carroll, Surry county; George A. Lambert, Wythe county; R. F. Bower, Albermarble county; H. C. Marshall, Charlotte county; T. E. Thomas, Spotsylvania county; D. M. Blankenship, Campbell county; Delegates to National Convention, R. F. Bower, Albermarle county, and Geo. A. Lambert, Wythe county.

PASSENGERS MUST BE SAVED

United States Takes This Position in Recent Note to Austria

ANCONA HAD NOT TIME

Also Demands Reparation For American Lives Lost and Assurances for the Future.

Washington, Dec. 10.—The note the United States has sent to Austria-Hungary on the sinking of the Italian liner Ancona was based, it is learned, primarily upon the virtual admission of the Austro-Hungarian admiralty in its official statement, that the ship was torpedoed before all the passengers had been removed to a place of safety.

It was also stated that the position of the United States, as outlined in its communication asking reparation for American lives lost, and assurances that such acts will not be repeated, is that no matter whether a merchantman stops upon the firing of a warning shot by a warship or after a pursuit, all the passengers must be removed before the vessel is sunk.

The text of the note was not made public, as it had been indicated it would be. Officials of the State Department refused to discuss the communication in any way, declining even to admit that it had been sent. It was said that the failure to give out the note for publication was due to the fact that the State Department had not been advised of its arrival at Vienna.

Baron Erich Zweidenek, charge of the Austro-Hungarian embassy, called upon Counselor Polk, of the State Department late yesterday, remaining with him for nearly an hour. At the conclusion of the conference neither Mr. Polk nor the charge would reveal the details of their discussion.

Information concerning the principal factor considered in the framing of the American note was obtained after it had been said at the State Department that no reply to the list of inquiries recently submitted to the Vienna Foreign Office through Ambassador Penfield, had been received. The admission of the Austrian admiralty were contained in an official statement issued on November 14, which, after giving the Austrian version of the chase of the Ancona, continued as follows:

"The submarine allowed forty-five minutes for the pasengers and crew to abandon the steamer, on board of which panic reigned, but only a small number of the boats were lowered, and these were occupied principally by the crew. A great number of boats, probably sufficient to save all the passengers, remained unoccupied.

"After a period of fifty minutes, and as another steamer was approaching the submarine submerged and torpedoed the Ancona, which sunk after an additional forty-five minutes."

This statement was accepted here as an unqualified admission that many of the passengers were still aboard when the Ancona received her death blow.

While the United States has insisted heretofore that vessels carrying noncombatants be not sunk without warning, this is the first case which, it is said, that has developed the view of the government as to what time is considered ample for the purpose of removing passengers, beyond the general statement that all passengers should be given a place of safety, as provided in the Declaration of London.

The position of the United States is understood to be that while no specific time can be settled upon which would be applicable in all cases, that it is evident sufficient time was not allowed in this instance. The Ancona is considered an extreme case; it being admitted by all sources of information that a panic prevailed aboard the ship.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Interesting News Notes About People of Alexandria—Happenings In Society.

Miss Helen Cummings entertained most attractively yesterday afternoon the Cameron Club and Colonial Dames, at the Wagar apartments.

Receiving with Miss Cummings were Miss Ambler, and Miss Fitzhugh Casey, the vice president of the Colonial Dames, of Washington, Mrs. Eleanor Washington Howard, vice president of the Cameron Club, Mrs. W. E. Andrews, of Washington, Mrs. Victor Woolley and Mrs. Charles Copeland, of Wilmington, Delaware, Mrs. Wallace, secretary of the Alexandria Colonial Dames, and Mrs. John Leadbeater, secretary of the Cameron Club, Several out of town guests were present and a number of Colonial Dames of Washington came over in a body. The musical program arranged by the musical section of the Cameron Club, was an attractive feature of the afternoon's entertainment, old colonial song, being a deminant note. The soloists were Miss Florence Counde, of Washington, Mrs. Sherman Fowler, Miss Marion Livesey, and Miss Marguerite Field. The accompanists were Miss Callowa of Washington and Mrs. Edgar Carpenter.

This was followed by a reading given by Mrs. Robert S. Barrett, "The Minuet of Long Ago," illustrated by an octette of children in colonial costume dancing the several figures in the minuet. The eight bright faces under the powderhead hair and the effect of the picturesque costume formed a most pleasing picture. Those dancing were the little misses Eleanor Leadbeater, Jeanette Cochran, Nancy Wattles, and Virginia Wilkins, Master Everett Pohl, Paul Barrett, Everett Swan and Robert Wheat. Accompanying the dance was the "Minuet" played by Miss Hilda Sneider.

At half past four the guests were escorted from the ballroom to the dining room where refreshments were served from a table whose center was occupied by a blue crepe basket, holding a profussion of giant yellow crysanthemums and from which streamers were carried to the four corners and held in place by yellow candles, whose shades were hand painted crysanthemums. Miniature colonial dames in blue and yellow peaped from beneath the basket. Miss Sarah Cox, and Miss Carol Leadbeater assisted in the serving o fthe guests. The entertainment was one of the most enjoyable of the season's functions.

Mrs. Laura Powell, State Vice Councilor of the Daughters of America who was the guest of Mrs. Jamie H. Mansfield in King street, has returned to her home in Richmond.

The Elks' euchre and dance last night for the benefit of the Christmas charity fund was very successful and much enjoyed by all present. The first prize was won by A. Loehl of Washington.

TURNED OVER TO HIS MOTHER

Marshal Phillips, a 15 year old colored boy, was arrested yesterday charged with stealing a diamond ring valued at $28 from William Parker of 411 south Alfred street. The boy had sold the ring for $5 and it was recovered. He was turned over to his mother with instructions to give him a severe whipping.

NEW YORKERS COMING

Masons of the Empire State Will Visit Mount Vernon Next Tuesday

Washington Lodge, No. 21, of New York City, one of the oldest Masonic lodges in this country, and bearing the name of the first president, will send a delegation of its officers and members to Alexandria next Tuesday for the purpose of joining with the Masons of Virginia in observing the anniversary of the death of General Washington. The New York delegation will be headed by Carl Helms, worshipful master of the lodge. They will arrive here early Tuesday morning.

Fredericksburg Lodge No. 4, of Fredericksburg, Va., where General Washington received his Masonic degrees, will also send a delegation and the representatives of these two lodges will join Alexandria-Washington lodge of this city in making the pilgrimage to Washington's tomb at Mt. Vernon where they will place wreaths upon the sarcophagus containing his remains and hold brief exercises outside of the vault.

The Masons will leave here in the private car "Mt. Vernon" of the Washington-Virginia Railway at 10.30 o'clock Tuesday morning.

MRS ARMOUR'S LECTURE.

"Georgia Cyclone" to Speak on Prohibition Monday Night.

Mrs. Mary Harris Armour, familiarly known as the "Georgia Cyclone," will deliver a lecture in the interest of National Prohibition, in Trinity M. E. Church, Monday December 13, at 7:30 p. m. The public is invited:

The Nashville Tennesseean says:

"Probably not since the days of Frances E. Willard, the great founder of the world's W. C. T. U., has there appeared a woman of such inborn eloquence and marvelous power to sway the multitudes, with the mighty two-edged sword of truth, as Mrs. Mary Harris Armour. Her burning satire and sparking wit, her bright grasp of truth, her perfectly natural and unaffected way of presenting it, full of desperate earnestness, her magnetic personality, and above all her absolute faith in God makes her one of the most powerful factors on the American Continent in the overthrow of the Liquor Traffic."

FIXED HIS OWN TERM.

"Fix your own term in the workhouse," said Justice Caton to Matt Williams, an old offender in police court this morning. "About three months, will be about right," said Matt. The Justice agreed and a short time afterwards Matt was on the way to the workhouse carrying his own committment papers. Matt is one of the unfortunates who cannot let liquor alone.

NOTICE.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of The Potomac Savings Bank of Georgetown, D. C., for the election of a Board of Directors and any and all other business properly coming before the meeting, will be held at the principal office of the Company, in Alexandria, Virginia (being the office of James H. and Harry B. Caton, Attorneys), at three o'clock, p. m., on the 14th day of December, 1915.

10,11,13. J. Wm. BOGLEY, Secretary.

HELP THE CAUSE ALONG

Anti-Tuberculosis Society Will Offer tags for Sale Tomorrow

Tomorrow will be observed as "tag day" by the Anti-Tuberculosis Society of Alexandria who will in this way inaugurate the sale of Red Cross Christmas Seals.

The tags will be sold by a number of young ladies under the direction of Miss Rose Mac Donald, president of the society. Each tag will bear upon it one of the Red Cross seals.

The money received by the local society from the sale of the tags is used to support the visiting nurse and also to send those persons who have incipient cases of tuberculosis to the state sanitarium.

DELEGATES IN WASHINGTON

Alexandrians Representing T. P. A. At Rivers and Harbors Congress.

The following Alexandrians are representing the Virginia division of the Travelers' Protective Association at the annual meeting of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, now in session at the New Willard Hotel, Washington: Julian Y. Williams, A. D. Brockett, Charles King, H. Noe Garner, William Jorg, Alfred Thomson, John H. Trimyer, R. L. Payne, William A. Smoot, jr., George D. Hopkins, Harry D. Kirk, R. E. Knight, Hunt Russell, J. William May, Henry K. Field and Walter G. Roberts.

SCHOOL MEETING IN WEST END

The third monthly meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association of the West End School was held in the school building on the afternoon of December eighth. A large number of the members was present and many new faces were noted among those assembled.

The meeting was opened by the president, Mrs. Powers, in her usual enthusiastic manner. Excellent minutes of the last meeting were read by Mrs. Chauncey, secretary, and Superintendent Sweeney, after a brief talk fitting the occasion, introduced Professor Blanton of the Alexandria High school, who made some very practical remarks along school lines. The interest Professor Blanton manifested in the work of West End School was most encouraging.

Following incidental questions and discussions, the association was favored with a vocal solo most pleasingly rendered by Miss Marguerite Field, to the dalight of all present.

Refreshments were served in a pleasantly informal manner, after which the meeting closed, with gratifying promise for the future of the association's work.

COURT NOTES

In the corporation court a number of decrees were entered today.

In the suit of Eckloff against the Emerson Steam Pump Co., the receivers were ordered to distribute $121.47 remaining in their hands.

In that of William H. McCuen, guardian, against William H. McCuen and others, Howard W. Smith, was named a special commissioner to settle the accounts of William H. McCuen.

C. Keith Carlin was named a special commissioner to ascertain the estate of the late Richard Johnson.

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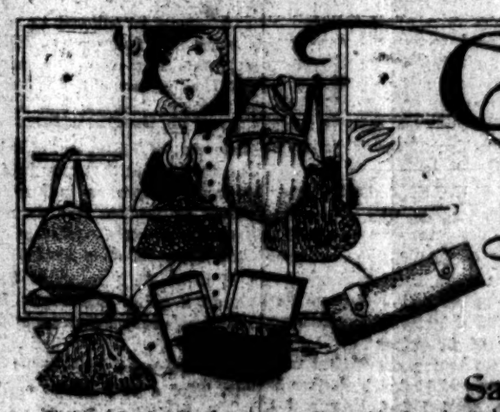

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WILSON'S PLAN FOR PREPAREDNESS.

A cotemporary recently suggested that had France espoused the cause of Austria half a century ago when Prussia declared war on the Hapsburgs there would have been no Sedan nor the war declared by Germany in 1914. It should have occurred to France that it would be her turn next after Austria had been subdued. Her turn came in 1870. England learned the lesson, and as Germany expanded and spent her millions on armaments England followed suit, building two men-of-war every time Germany laid the keel for one. Great Britain knew that country's turn would come sooner or later.

Is the United States in the Kaiser's black book? It may be ,and who can tell what predicament this nation may find itself at the close of this terrible war. Should Germany emerge triumphant and in the settlement demands Bermuda and the West Indie possessions of Great Britain and France, the Gulf of Mexico and the Panama Canal will be menaced.

Diplomacy is far-seeing. President Wilson and his cabinet are looking in to the future, and while the tide may turn from Germany, they wisely conclude that the United States should be prepared for eventualities.

Mr. Bryan may not see any likelihood of cloud forming, but the people of the country will feel more secure when they know we are prepared to stand upon the defensive should the unlooked-for appear.

Wars and rumors of war are heard all over the earth at present. The echoes are disturbing peace-loving America. Heretofore military service has been optional with us. But the warlike countries of Europe may force us to adopt their compulsory system. Secretary Garrison realizes this when he told Congress it may be necessary to force military service should four hundred thousand men fail to enlist voluntarily."

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THE DISASTER AT HOPEWELL.

The Richmond-Times' Dispatch says:

"When Mrs. O'Leary's cow kicked over the lamp in a stable that started the blaze that laid Chicago in ruins there sprang up from the ashes a city whose rapid growth in structural expansion, wealth, population and importance made it in a few years the wonder city of the world."

Fifteen blocks in Hopewell, Virginia's magic city, were laid in ruins yesterday by a fire fanned by a strong northwest wind, and thousands of people are homeless and suffering today. The disaster has happened at the beginning of winter, and the good people of the state are responding liberally to appeals for immediate assistance.

Like Jonah's gourd, Hopewell sprung up in a night and has virtually passed away in a night. What was early yesterday morning a city of about 35,000 inhabitants, is now a smouldering mass of ashes, and many of its former inhabitants are huddled in public halls and churches in Petersburg.

Many great fires are recorded in history. One occurred in London about two centuries ago which raged for two weeks. Constantinople has often suffered from conflagrations. During our civil war Columbia, S. C. was as is Hopewell today. Baltimore, San Francisco and other places have been the scenes of great distress from fires in recent years. They have all arose phoenix-like and are greater today than before the conflagrations from which they suffered. It will doubtless be so with Hopewell.

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TAG DAY TOMORROW.

The case in all communities, ...cials are made to good people of this or that activity carry bono publico. Some may ...d to imagine that occasional ... of supererrogation are in ...nd thereby turn a deaf ear ... which demand our immed... ...n. It is generally agreed that the work being conducted by the Anti-Tuberculosis Society of this city is one of the most important ever conceived in a community. The terrible white plague, constantly ravaging the human race, is said to cause more deaths than any other of the many maladies to which we are subject, and any enterprise looking to the minimizing in an way of this most dreaded and insidious disease should meet with an immediate response.

This association is composed of some of our best and most representative people, who have often themselves borne the expense of the work in which they are engaged. Laboring in the interests of the community this should not be so. They should have the encouragement they deserve in their noble efforts to save human life.

As is well known ,this organization not only provides a visiting nurse (a welcome guest in homes in times of distress and anxiety), but it is made possible for those manifesting symptoms of incipient pulmonary disease to enter the State Sanitarium where their cases can be studied and treated.

As is stated elsewhere in the Gazette, tomorrow will be "Tag Day," when an opportunity will be afforded all to aid this noble work in a pleasant way. The proceeds of this sale will be devoted entirely to the fund used for those who may enter the sanitarium at Catawba.

Let us not grow weary in well-doing, no matter what other appeals may be pressing us at the approaching holiday season. It will add to our joy when we gather around family boards to fell that we have contributed towards lightening the burdens of others, suffering from causes not their own.

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LOOKING FOR FUSS WORDS.

Theodore Roosevelt, in his wrath, calls President Wilson a 'logothete.' Many have rushed to dictionaries to find the etymology of this word. A noted American scholar when appealed to said it was an ancient Greek word and denoted an under-secretary, or a man who was an amanuensis or one who set forth the thoughts of his superiors.

Dictionaries and encyclopedias have very little to say about logothete The content themselves by saying that a logothete is "one who accounts, calculates or ratiocinates," or that he was "a keeper of the seals" or that "he put in order the dispatches of the emperor."

The above brings to mind a scene in the Gazette office over forty years ago. An exciting election had taken place during he day. Hugh Latham, the democratic nominee for Mayor had been defeated by William N. Berkley, " a mild republican," who had been "picked up" by certain democrats who had become offended at certain incidents in the administration of Mr. Latham. The Gazette office had been kept open at night for the purpose of announcing the returns, and some jubilant persons were present as well as many disgruntled ones who were smarting from the defeat of Mr. Latham. One man who had worked from daybreak in the interests of the democratic nominee and found himself in the losing camp was very sore, and casting his eyes upon a well-known political character of that day who had bolted his party, walked up to the offender and cast the most insolent epithets at him. He was so angry that he coined cuss words, and closed his string of vituperation by terming the offender a transmogrified "pistareen."

The witnesses of this war of words looked at each other, none seeming to know the meaning of the word pistareen, but supposing it was something awful. There was a rush for Webster's dictionary lying on a table nearby, and the crowd were greatly relieved when they found that the object of the man's wrath was not worth thirty cents, but was of the value of an old Spanish coin valued at twenty cents.

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NEWS OF THE DAY

Great Britain has recognized the Carranza government in Mexico.

Rear Admiral Nicoll Ludlow died last night in his apartment at the Gotham Hotel, New York. Apoplexy caused his death.

A wireless dispatch from Henry Ford says: "I will bet this ship against a penny that the boys will be out of the trenches by Christmas."

The entire staff of the Eighty-second German army division was captured by Russian mounted scouts and brought as prisoners into the Russian lines as the result of a daring night raid recently.

The largest labor organization in the history of England, representing about 2,000,000 men, was formed yesterday for the purpose of offensive or defensive action in matters respecting wages and conditions of work.

A gang of automobile bandits entered the Western State Bank at St. Paul, Minn., at closing time yesterday afternoon, held up Cashier Dixon and his assistants at the point of pistols and escaped with an amount believed to be $4,000 in currency.

Count Alvaro de Romanones yesterday was chosen by King Alfonso to form a new Spanish government in succession to the Dato cabinet which resigned on Monday. Count de Romanones declared that his policy on international questions would be identical with that of his predecessor.

The New York American says: There will be no diplomatic break with Germany as a result of the request of the United States for the recall of Capts. Boyd-Ed and Von Papen Germany has already decided upon successors for both attaches.

With the personal approval of President Wilson, Secretary of the Navy Daniels yesterday decided to let the New York Navy Yard and the Mare Island Navy Yard, at San Francisco construct the battleships 43 and 44, the latest Dreadnoughts authorized for the American navy.

A devasting fire fed by oil and cotton, swept the quays of Genoa Italy, yesterday. Thousands of barrels of oil stored in the warehouses exploded. Seven thousand bales of cotton, as well as great quantities of arafin, were destroyed. Twenty loaded railway cars were also burned.

It is reported that 300 Villa soldiers were killed, a hundred taken prisoners and the remainder of the forces under Gen. José Rodriguez dispersed five miles north of Fronteras, yesterday when Gen. P. Elias Calles rushed in from the south to the rescue of the beleaguered Carranza detachment, under Gen. Angel Flores.

Russia's plans for the long-threatened invasion of the Balkans have it is said been completed. Russian authorities have closed the Danube port of Rent and the frontier station of Ungheni, on the Pruth River, Great Slav forces with heavy artillery are said to have been concentrated at both these points in Bessarabia.

Sir John Simon, the British home secretary, introduced the government Parliament and registration bill in the house of commons yesterday afternoon. The bill provides that the life of the present Parliament shall be at least six years, instead of seven, as originally proposed. This indicates that the cabinet believes the war will last at least six years.

The Porto Rico liner Coamo was stopped yesterday by the French cruiser Descartes, which took four German firemen from the merchantman on board the warship. It is reported that the Descartes was looking for Waldemar Hepp, German consul at San Juan, and John Stubbe, the Austrian consul, who are now in New York Chief Steward Schaade, of the Porto Rico liner Carolina ,was taken from that vessel Wednesday night.

The charred body of a young girl whose remaining bits of clothing were of fine texture, was discovered yesterday lying face down in the yard of the residence of H. Vatters, in New Orleans. The police have not yet been able to identify the girl, but the finding of a sweater in a rose bush near where the body was found caused the belief that she had attended a fashionable girl's school four blocks away. There were blood stains on the ground near where the body was found.

In the presence of thousands of people, a public consistory was held by Pope Benedict yesterday in the Sala Regia. The Pope conferred the red hats on four of the cardinals created at the private consistory Monday. The prelates so honored were Cardinals Tonti, Gusmini, Cagliero and Mistrangelo. The red hats for Cardinal Scapinelli, papal nuncio at Vienna, and for Cardinal Fruhwirth papal nuncio at Munich, were dispatched by special messengers to those cities. By special dispensation of the Pope, Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria and the King of Bavaria will impose the insignia upon the two cardinals who were absent from yesterday's ceremonies.

THE FIRST NATIOIAL BANK of Alexandria, Va., December 10th, 1915

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at the banking house on January 11th, 1916, at 11 a. m. for the election of Directors and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

GEO. E. WARFIELD, Cashier

ALLIES' WAR COUNCIL

Decision of Greatest Importance Reached in Paris.

Paris, Dec. 10.—A decision of the greatest importance was reached at the fourth session of the allies' war council yesterday, it is understood. No announcement has been made thus far.

In view of yesterday's discussions, it is generally believed the allied representatives have reached an agreement as to the future conduct of military affairs in the Balkans.

England, a high French official hinted to the United Press yesterday, favored the immediate withdrawal of the allied expeditionary forces from Serbia. Gen. Joffre was understood to oppose this action, and to be supported strongly by Gen. Gilinsky, Russia's representative in the war council.

The importance of today's war council was emphasized by an official statement that both Lord Kitchener and Sir Edward Grey, British foreign minister, were present as also the British ambassador to France. At previous sessions this week Sir John French represented Great Britain.

Admiral Roussine, of the Russian navy's general staff, who arrived today with several Russian naval officers was also present at the council.

Cambridge, Mass. Dec. 10. — The position of Taylor's comet, discovered last week at Cape Town, has been computed by the United States Naval Observatory, according to a telegram received at the Harvard Observatory yesterday.

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I am authorized to offer for sale at public auction on SATURDAY DECEMBER 11th, 1915, at 12 o'clock, in front of the Royal street entrance to the market building, the above valuable property bounded and described as follows:

First—All that lot of ground, with the buildings thereon in the said city of Alexandria, situated on the south side of King street, between Washington and St. Asaph streets, and bounded as follows to wit:

Beginning on the south side of King street eighteen (18) feet east of Washington street, and running thence east on King street forty five (45) feet to an alley three (3) feet wide; thence south on said alley ninety (90) feet to another alley three (3) feet wide; thence west on said last named alley forty five (45) feet; and thence north in a direct line ninety. (90) feet to the beginning, with the right of way over said alleys and all rights and appurtenances to the same belonging.

Second—All that lot of ground situated on the east side of Washington street, between King and Prince streets, and bounded as follows, to wit:

Beginning on the east side of Washington street ninety three (93) feet south of King Street, and running thence south on Washington street thirteen feet seven inches (13ft 7 in) to a point within four (4) feet of the brick building on the lot of ground adjoining on the south; thence east parallel to King street sixty three (63) feet; thence north parallel to Washington street thirteen (13) feet; seven (7) inches; and thence west in a direct line sixty three (63) feet to the beginning, with all rights and appurtenances to the same belonging.

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Two-piece stag handle carving sets .. $1.00 Up.

Handsome three-piece carving sets, in case $3.00

Celluloid Handle Knives. Set of 6.. $1.75

Nickel-Plated Percolators, $1.75 Up.

Nickel-Plated Chafing Dishes $3.50 to $20.

Solid Polish Copper Chafing Dishes, $5.00 Up.

Chafing Dish Spoons and Folks. 75c to $2.50

Chafing Dish Flagons, $1.75 to $3.50

EGG SET
Egg Boiler and Six Egg Cups on tray, $15.00 Set

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Tool Chests (filled with guaranteed tools), $5 to $25

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Table Forks, 1-2 doz. .. $4.30

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Hand-painted Mayonnaise Dressing Dishes and Almond Dishes, $3.00 to $7.00

Casseroles, with Copper Nickel-Plated Frames, $1.50 Up.

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VIRGINIA NEWS

Senator G. Walter Mapp was operated on for appendicitis at his residence in Accomac yesterday. His physicians expect a prompt recovery.

A syndicate of ten Richmond and Petersburg citizens are about to duplicate at Eddystone, N. J., the development of a new town similar to the magic creation of Hopewell.

Police Justice Crutchfield in Richmond on Wednesday fined a negro $100 for carrying a pistol and sent him to jail for twelve month in default of $500 security to keep the peace for twelve months.

John Cary, a sixty-year-old negro, was burned to death in a fire at the Washington Pressing Club Richmond, early this morning, and his wife and small child escaped by leaping through a second-story window.

W. D. Midzeth, one of the seven or eight employes in the Dupont Powder Company's time office in Hopewell who is said to have been involved in the gigantic swindle from the company of funds estimated at over $100-000, and who was arrested in Richmond was held for the grand jury by Judge Armistead in Hopewell Police Court.

Petitions are being circulated in Lynchburg to the City Circuit Court for a special election on the question of adopting the simplified commission form of government for Lynchburg. The proposal is to give Lynchburg a commission of five men which would take the place of the Council, as well as the Mayor, for the chairman of the commission would become ex-officio Mayor of the city.

Marine Corporal Ericson was shot by Private Holz, a sentry on duty near the interned German cruiser at the navy yard in Norfolk Tuesday night. The bullet entered Ericson's right side and is believed to have penetrated the lung. The cause of the shooting is unknown, but it said to have been due to mistaken identity. Reports say Ericson was mistaken for an outsider and did not answer the sentry's challenge when ordered to do so.

The Pleasant View section of Amherst is stirred to the highest pitch of excitement, caused by the wanderings of a mad dog. On Wednesday the animal passed through Pleasant View, attacking wagons and horses on the public highways. It continued its destructive journey till it reached Pedlar Mills, a distance of four miles. The dog was then killed The killing was not done, however, until the vicious animal had entered the school grounds at Pedlar Mills and had bitten three of the pupils of the school.

BLIZZARD IN MARYLAND.

Snow is Four Inches Deep at Frostburg and Drifting.

Cumberland, Md. Dec. 10.—The first real snowfall of the season occurred here yesterday.

At Frostburg the snow has reached a depth of about four inches and a small blizzard is prevailing. The wind is causing the snow to drift.

AFTER CONGRESSMEN

Suffragists Working for the Anthony Amendment.

Washington, Dec. 10—Women suffragists made a round-up of Congressmen yesterday and urged every member they could find to support the Susan B. Anthony federal suffrage amendment.

About 50 women, many of them suffrage leaders of national prominenep and all wearing the purple, white and gold of the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage, in annual convention here, marched to the Capitol in a body, and breaking inte groups, went through the House and Senate office buildings.

Later they reported that in most cases their reception was cordial, although some members were noncommital and others were openly antagonistic.

Announcement was made at the business session of the Congressional Union yesterday that Senator Thomas chairman of the Senate Suffrage Committee, had definitely promised the union a hearing before the committee December 16, the day after the hearing to be given the National Woman Suffrage Association.

SUGGEST FORCED SERVICE

Secretary of War Says Large Force Is Necessary

Washington, Dec. 10—Cumpulsory military service is declared by Secretary Garrison, in his annual report made public yesterday, to be the only resort of the United States in providing an adequate defense, should citizens fail to enlist in the continental army proposed as a reserve to the regular army.

Secretary Garrison throws down the gauntlet to former Secretary Bryan and other opponents of military preparedness in this declaration: "If the ration requires certain service and offers the most favorable opportunity for the citizens to furnish such service, and notwithstanding that, it cannot secure such service, it must then resort to some method of compelling the service."

A CLEAR COMPLEXION

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Upon the written application of the complainant stating specifically the last known place of abode of the defendant, and it appearing that the process has been issued and returned by the Sergeant of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, showing that the defendant was not found within the jurisdiction of this Court, the following order of publication is granted on this 8th day of September, 1915.

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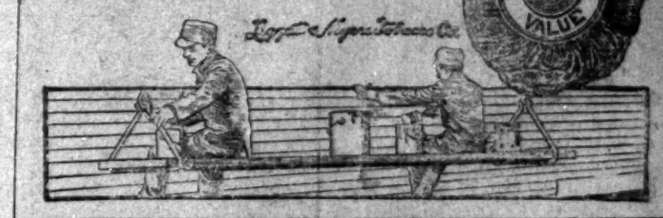

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